

THE LEGISLATURE.

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Senator McCarthey answered that the reason the change was sought was because they were going to put the city in charge of republicans. Senator Ray moved to table the bill The roll call was demanded and result.

ed-ayes, 18; noes, 27. Senator Ashburn said he was opposed to the bill, but as the caucus had declared in its favor he would have to

support it. The bill passed its second readingayes, 27; noes, 20. Objection was made to its third reading.

Senator Grant said it seemed that the democrats and some of the populists were flocking together, so he introduced the following as an addition to the rules and further stated that they had a majority (republicans and bolters) and intended to run things as they wanted. There was no use in disguising the matter. Here are his rules. Rule 43. That debate shall be limited to five minutes for each senator on all questions and only two speeches shall

be allowed on each side. Rule 44. That the senate shall convene at 9 o'clock and remain in session until 1:30 o'clock p. m. and again assemble at 3 o'clock p. m. and remain in session until 6 o'clock p. m. and again assemble at 8 o'clock p. m. and remain in session until such hour as the senate may desire to adjourn. That no motion to adjourn shall be entertained by the chair until the hours herein prescribed has expired.

Rule 45. The rules of the senate shall not be suspended unless by a vote of a majority of the senators present. Rule 46. No bill or resolution shall

be introduced after March 2nd. Rule 47. That rule 28 be amended by striking out in line 5, the words "twothirds" and insert in lieu thereof the

wordes "majority." Senator Moye opposed the rules of Senator Grant, saying he did not see why the senator had got in such a flurry all at once. He had been absent every Saturday until late Monday and

now at the end of the session he want

ed to apply the gag law. Senator Sharpe, of Iredell, bitterly opposed the resolution of Senator Grant. He thought it a shame to try and gag the minority. He was in favor of giving them a voice in all matters. He was willing to stay two weeks longer without pay, but he was not willing to pass such rules as those pro-

posed by Senator Grant. Senator Maxwell opposed the resolution, saying the minority had as much right to be heard as the majority and he opposed gag law.

The resolution was placed on its second reading and Senator Ray demand. ed the roll call, which was sustained, and the resolution failed to pass-ayes, 24; noes, 23, not a majority of the members elected voting, so the resolution

was lost. The bill was taken up to amend chapter 214, laws of 1893, relating to the election of county superintendent

of health. Senator Abell offered a substitute that the county commissioners fix the salary-lost.

Senator Utiey opposed the passage of this bill. He thought it was only a political measure and he had too much principle to vote for any of his own party's measures if it was injurious to the public good.

The bill passed its second and third The bill to take Vance county out of

the criminal court circuit passed. The bill was taken up to amend section 3726 of The Code, by striking out the words "one thousand" in line four and inserting "fifteen hundred." (This is to increase the salary of the auditor's chief clerk).

Senator Walker amended by making it "one thousand;" also to reduce all clerks of state officers salaries to

Senator McNeill offered an amendment to insert \$1,200. The amendment of Senator McNeill was lost. The question recurring on the amendment of Senator Walker, the roll call was demanded and resulted-ayes, 25; noes,

Senator Maxwell offered an amendment to make the chief clerk to the auditor salary \$1,200.

Senator Wheabee said most of the clerkships would be going to populists and if they wanted to reduce it let them do so and go before the people

if they want to. The question recurring on the demand of Senator Maxwell, Senator Sharpe, of Wilson, demanded the roll call which was sustained-ayes,

noes. 8. Senator Rollins moved to refer to the committee-adopted and referred to

committe on salaries and fees. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Bills were introduced as follows: By Mr. Duffy, to build a road through the public lands in Onslow county. By Mr. Lusk, for representatives of

North Carolina at the Tennessee centennial. By Mr. Peeters, to incorporate the Asheville and Bristol railway. By Mr. Sutton, to change the name

of Mulberry street, Wilmington, to Grace street; also to incorporate the Hanover Land Company. By Mr. Hauser, to require insurance

companies to pay the face value of their policies. By Mr. Lusk, to provide for payment of the attorney's fee for the defend-

ant where the prosecution is adjudged to be frivulous and malicious. By Mr. Schulken, to incorporate the Excelsior Artesian Well and Sewerage

Company. By Mr. Cunningham, to prevent taxing of property twice in one year. By Mr. Ward, to change certain

Sixth district courts. The house was in committee of the whole several hours on the revenue bill and struck out the \$10 tax on law- last five years, to the exclusion of phy- 74%c; May 75% @75%c, 76%c, 75%c, 75%c, 75% yers, doctors and dentists, also the \$10 tax proposed to be levied on drummers. It let the section stand providing that county commissioners "may" grant

The section imposing a tax on inheriances was also stricken out. A resolution was adopted-16 to 45raising a joint committee to look into Bellamy's' Drug Store.

the matter of purchasing the oil porrait of Senator Vance, now on view. AFTERNOON SESSION.

Bills were passed as follows. To incorporate the Williams-Fitzhugh Lumber Company. To incorporate the Carolina Southern Lailroad and Lumber Company. To establish criminal courts in Mc-Dowell, Watauga, Mitchell and Yancey

counties. To allow Wayne, Green, Pitt and Wilson counties to levy a tax of 15 cents for road improvement, this to be al'ke on county and town property. To amend the charter of Greenville, by extending its limits (second read-

ing; vote—ayes, 57; noes, 32.) Mr. Walters gave notice that the minority would file a report against the bill, saying he had served notice that he would do this and had asked the clerk to file a protest with the bill, but could not get it done; that it had been understood that the bill was merely one to allow a special tax to be levied. Messrs. Hancock and Sutton tried to cut Mr. Walters off. The latter moved that the report and protest be filed.

This prevailed, though a lot of republicans tried to defeat it. The bill passed to legalize \$10,000 in bonds issued by Elizabeth City and to levy a special tax.

The bill to incorporate the Winston-Salem Southbound railway passed its third reading-57 to 19. Then clamor arose, it being stated

that the bill appropriated convicts. Mr. Person, of Wayne, moved to reconsider. This prevailed. Mr. Sutton demanded the reading of

It was passed over so it could be examined. It gives 250 convicts, state to take bonds in pay for their work. The bill was taken up to encourage local taxation in rural districts for public schools (after explanation by

the bill.

cation to regulate school taxation in easier with actual business in bankers townships or districts, allowing the bills at \$4.851/4 for sixty days, and \$4.87@ board to give any township an amount \$4.871/4 for demand. Posted rates \$4.86 \$500, local taxation and state aid to \$4.84%. Government bonds firm; state correspond being the basis of the bill. | bonds dull; railroad bonds higher. Sil-Mr. Schulken asked where the money | ver at the board was weak. was coming from.

Mr. Dockery replied from the treasury-the people's money. He said the annual amount is not to exceed \$100,000. The bill does not affect cities. The law is to continue for three years.

striking out the word "education" and inserting "public schools." Mr. Dockery offered an amendment

to make the tax rate 10 cents. It was Mr. Ward's amendment to divide the money equally among all townships

Mr. Dixon's amendment, providing for either voluntary subscription or tax was adopted (to amount to not over \$500 to a township).

Mr. Hancock's amendment inserting 'public schools" was adopted and the bill passed its second reading-ayes, 75; noes, 29.

NIGHT SESSION.

At 7:30 o'clock the house met and took up the calendar. Bills passed as To incorporate the Carolina Southern

Railway and Lumber Company. To provide for payment of the railway debt of Pollocksville. To incorporate Maysville.

To allow Currituck to levy a special To amend the charter of Southport. The bill to levy a special tax in Lenoir county for a stock law fence caused a lively debate.

Mr. Dixon, of Green, moved to table and it was tabled. Mr. Hauser got it from the table, but it failed to pass its second readingayes, 19; noes, 58. Mr. Dockery, by leave, introduced a

Cunningham a bill to require railways to redeem mileage tickets. Mr. Candler introduced a resolution to pay the clerk of the judiciary committee \$5 a day during this session.

(He has been getting \$3 per day). The bill to establish a dispensary at Louisburg came up, with a favorable report. Mr. Blackburn offered an amendment

that the matter be submitted to the people of Louisburg township. Mr. Barrow said a large majority of the qualified voters had asked the passage of the bill.

The amendment was lost-yeas, 39; nays, 58, and the bill passed its second reading-yeas, 59; nays, 21. Mr. Blackburn made a motion to concur in the senate substitute to the

bill regarding the lease of the North Carolina railway. This motion did not prevail. He then gave notice of a motion to concur tomorrow. Mr. Sutton moved that the bill be

referred to the committee on the lease. The vote on this motion was-yeas, 54; nays, 56. There was great delay in announcing the vote. Mr. Blackburn called for the an-

The speaker said that the clerks were | France 8,790; continent 29,733. in doubt as to its correctness and there would be another roll call. Mr. Blackburn said the clerks said

the roll was all right. The speaker did not announce the result, but ordered that the roll be again called.

Mr. Blackburn demanded the announcement of the vote, but the speaker did not recognize him. The second roll call resulted—yeas, 60; nays, 57.

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Of course, Mr. Cleveland never suspected Fitzhugh Lee had grit enough to expose the conspiracy by means of which Olney has allowed the Spaniards to butcher American citizens and insult the American flag.-Atlanta Constitu-

The Ideal Panacea.

tion, dem.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for tures were as follows: Opening, high-Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the sician's prescriptions or other prepa- 75%c; July 72% @727 o 74%c, 72%c, 72% rations.'

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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

COTTON REPORTS.

Wilmington, N. C., March 2. Receipts of cotton today-285 bales. Receipts corresponding day last year 83 bales.

This season's receipts to date-229,917 bales. Receipts to same date last year-158,885 bales. The quotations posted at 4 c'clock today at the exchange:

Cotton firm. Ordinary Good middling..... Low middling Middling 6% 7 3-16 Good middling Pirces same day last year 71/2c.

NAVAL STORES. Spirits turpentine-Machine barrels

firm at 271/2c; country barrels firm at Rosin firm at \$1.45 and \$1.50. Tar firm at 95c.

Crude turpentine nominal; hard \$1.30; soft \$1.80. Prices same day last year-Spirits unchanged prices to 4c advance; turpentine at 27c and 261/2c; rosin \$1.25 | March 29c; May 291/2c; July 31c. and \$1.30; tar 90c; crude turpentine \$1.50 and \$1.90.

pentine, 99 barrels rosin, 53 barrels tar. barrels crude turpentine. Receipts same day last year-32 casks spirits turpentine, 1,373 barrels rosin, 359 barrels tar, - barrels crude tur-

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

pentine.

FINANCIAL. New York, March 2.-Money on call easy at 11/2@13/4 per cent.; last loan at 1½ and closing offered at 1½ per cent. Mr. Dockery). It appropriates \$100,000 | Prime mercantile paper 3 per cent. to be used by the state board ofedu- Bar silver 64%. Sterling exchange equal to one the latter raises up to @\$4.88. Commercial bills at \$4.83%@

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Liverpool, March 2.-12:30 p. m.-Cotton-Fair business done; prices favor buyers; American middling 4 13-32d; sales 12,000; American 11,200; speculation and exports 1,000; receipts 40,000; American 39,500. Futures opened quiet; demand moderate.

American middling, low middling clause-March and April 3 60-64d, 3 59bill to amend the constitution, and Mr. May and June 3 61-64d, 3 60-64d; June 64d, 3 60-64d; April and May 3 61-64d; and July, July and August 3 60-64d, 3 61-64d; August and September 3 57-64d; September and October, October and November, November and December 3 56-64d, 3 57-64d. Futures quiet.

> 12:45 p. m.—American spot grades 1-32d lower; American fair 4 7-16d; middling 41/sd; good middling 4d; low middling 3 13-16d; good ordinary 3 11-16d; ordinary 31/2d.

> 4 p. m.-March, March and April, April and May 3 58-64d, 3 60-64d sellers; May and June 3 60-64d values; June and July 3 60-64d buyers; July and August 60-64d, 3 61-64d; August and September 3 57-64d, 3 58-64d; September and October 3 52-64d sellers; October and November 3 47-64d sellers; November and December 3 45-64d, 3 46-64d buyers; December and January 3 45-64d, 3 46-

64d buyers. Futures closed quiet. New York, March 2.-Cotton quiet; middling 7%d; net receipts 175; gross receipts 5,478; exports to Great Britain 1,176; continent 210; forwarded 2,945; sales 2,220; spinners 520; stock 261,563.

Total today: Net receipts 17,638; exports to Great Britain 5,596; continent ,334; channel none; stock 882,027. Total so far this week: Net receipts 9,753; exports to Great Britain 27,064; Total since September 1st: Net re-

ceipts 5,934,623; exports to Great Britain 2,555,999; France 564,733; continent 1,514,-882; channel 5,481, Cotton futures closed steady; sales 124,200 bales; March 7.01; April 7.06; May 7.11; June 7.15; July 7.20; August

7.21; September 6.85; October 6.74; November 6.76; December 6.81; January PORT RECEIPTS.

Galveston-Firm at 74c; net receipts Baltimore-Nominal at 7%c; gross receipts 357. Boston-Quiet at 7 7-16c; net receipts

321; gross receipts 3,113. Wilmington-Firm at 6%c; net receipts 285 Philadelphia-Quiet at 7%c. Savannah-Quiet at 7c; net receipts

New Orleans-Quiet at 7 3-16c; net receipts 3,993; gross receipts 8,370. Mobile-Holiday; net receipts 1,447. Memphis-Steady at 7 1-16c; net receipts 287; gross receipts 1,159. Augusta-Steady at 74c; net receipts 715; gross receipts 748.

Charleston-Steady at 7c; net receipts Cincinnati-Firm at 71/4c; net receipts Louisville-Strong at 74c.

St. Louis-Steady at 7%c; net receipts 92: gross receipts 2,192. Houston-Steady at 74c; net receipts

GRAINS. PROVISIONS, ETC. Chicago, March 2.-The leading fuest, lowest and closing, Wheat-March 74%@74%c, 75%c, 74%c. @7274c; September 71c, 72%c, 71c, 71%c. Corn-March 23c, 231/sc. 23c, 23c; May 251/c. 251/4c, 251/4c; September 26%c, 26%c,

Oats-March 15%c, 15%c, 15%c, 15%c; Pork-May \$8.1214. \$8.121. \$8.021 \$8.05; July \$8.2214, \$3,2214, \$8.15 \$8.1714. \$8.0214. July \$4.20, \$4.20, \$4.15, \$4.15.

Ribs-May \$4.221/2. \$4.25, \$4.171/2; \$4.171/2; July \$4.321/2, \$4.321/2, \$4.25, \$4.271/2. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour was dull and firm; hard spring wheat patents \$4@\$4.30 in wood; soft wheat patents \$3.90@\$4.10; hard wheat bakers \$2.60@\$3 in sacks; No. 2 spring wheat 74%@75%c; No. 2 red 84%@83%c; No. 2 corn 23@2314c; No. 2 oats 1614c; mess pork \$7.95@\$8; lard \$3.95@\$4; short ribs, sides \$4.10@\$4.30; D S Shoulders \$4.50@\$4.75; short clear sides \$4.3714@ \$4.50; whiskey \$1.17.

New York, March 2 .- Flour dull, steady, unchanged; southern flour dull, unchanged.

Wheat-Spot market dull; spring wheat firm; winter wheat weaker; f. o. b. 86%c; ungraded red 70@87c. Options opened firm and advanced 14@14c, fell %@1c on realizing, closing weak at 4@ %c over yesterday with trading fairly active; No. 2 red, March 82%c; May 81½c; July 79½c; September 77c. Corn-Spots quiet, firm; No. 2, 29@ 29%c elevator; 29%@30c affoat; steamer mixed 26%c; new No. 2, 271/2@27%c elevator. Options were dull and firm at

Oats-Spots dull, firm; options firmer May 21%c. Spot prices-No. 2, 21%c; Receipts today-18 casks spirits tur-No. 2 white 231/2c; mixed western 20@23. Lard-Quiet, unsettled: western steam \$4.25; city at \$3.95@\$4; May \$4.35 nominal; refined dull; continent \$4.55; South American \$4.85; compound 4@44

Pork-Quiet, steady, unchanged. Eggs-Lower; state and Pennsylvania 14c; western fresh 13@13½c; southern 121/2@131/4c. Cotton Seed Oil--Quiet, steady, unchanged. Rice-Firm, unchanged.

Molasses-Moderate demand: New Orleans open kettle, good to choice 19@ Peanuts-Quiet, unchanged.

Coffee-Steady, unchanged to 5 points up; March \$9.05; April \$9.10@\$9.15; September \$9.20; October \$9.20; December \$9.25; Spot Rio duli, steady; No. 7, 9%c. Sugar-Raw, dull, nominal; fair refining 2 13-16c; centrifugals 96c; test 31/4c; refined unchanged, dull.

NAVAL STORES. New York-Rosin quiet, unchanged. Turpentine firm at 30@31c. Charleston-Turpentine dull at 26c. Rosin quiet; strained, common to good \$1.35 to \$1.40.

Savannah-Turpentine firm at 271/2c; sales 307; receipts' 104. Rosin firm; sales 1,500; receipts 1,693. A B C D E F \$1.45; G \$1.50; H \$1.60; I \$1.70; K \$1.80; M \$1.85; N \$1.90; W G \$1.95; W W \$2.15.

New York Stock Market.

New York, March 2.-In the early trading at the stock exchange, the market was inclined to weakness, owing chiefly to lower quotations from London and renewed activity on the part of the bears, who were working for a reaction. The foreign selling was attributed to uneasiness prevailing in London over the South African situation, but in the aggregate, the stocks sold for this account were of insignificant proportions. The decline was also unimportant, except in the cases of Jersey Central and Manhattan. Jersey Central dropped 2 per cent. to 931/4 on rates by brokers who have been active in depressing the stock for some time past. Manhattan fell to 85% on the revival of the reports of reduced dividends. The directors of the company held a meeting today and, according to rumor, the dividend question was not acted upon. The early loss in the general list was only ¼ to ¾ per cent. In the afternoon a firmer tone prevailed, the result of the announcement by Lake Shore officials of the sale of \$50,000,000 worth of gold bonds. The bonds are to pay 3½ per cent. and run for 100 years. The issue is made for the purpose of retiring \$45,000,000 7 per cent. bonds maturing from 1898 until 1903. This successful negotiation led to purchases of stocks for both the long and short account and prices advanced to the top figures of the day. The favorable statement of the Burlington and Quincy for January added to the bullish feeling and encouraged purchases of the western issue. Among the latter Omaha common was conspicuous for a rise to 53, the highest price of the year. Lake Shore, however, was the feature, jumping from 167 to 1711/2, with a subsequent reaction to 1691/2. All the other Vanderbilt railway properties moved up in sympathy. In the Industrials sugar was sold at the start on vague Washington rumors of unfavorable tariff action by the new congress. In the late trading there was some disposition to take profits and the market receded fractionally. At the close the market was firm. Net changes show gains of 1/8 to 5/8 per cent. Lake Shore, however, gained 3 per cent. and Brooklyn Union Gas 2 per cent. Total sales were 146,993 shares, including 23,500, Sugar, 20,300 St. Paul, 20,100 Burlington and Quincy and 11,300 Jersey Central. Bonds were firm

The Chicago Markets.

in tone today. The sales aggregated

Chicago, March 2.—The wheat market today was noted for sharp fluctuations and no temporary buoyancy. At one time prices were about 1/2c above yesterday's close, but the greater part of the bulge disappeared before the close, final quotations showing but 1/20 net gain for the day. St. Louis led the boom and was also responsible for the subsequent break. May wheat at that place jumped to 2c over yesterday, but afterwards lost 3c. It was said that a short in the market settled, after which Norfolk-Quiet at 7 1-16c; net receipts the price was permitted to drop. Cash wheat was firm and 1 to 14c higher. closing 1/2c higher.

Trading in corn was moderate, with no feature or noteworthy characteristic. Commission houses were the best buyers, whilst there was some selling The independent sentiment in this grain is far from bearish. Some of today's selling was assumed to be for a prominent St. Louis long. Cash corn was

steady. The oats market was dull and neglect ed, no large orders being executed and the number of small ones being limited. There was no particular change in cash oats. The trade was moderately active and featureless. The provision market was fairly

steady at the opening, but afterwards

became heavy, with trade stagnant. A

decline in hog prices was the primary motive for weakness. May pork and lard each closed 71/2c lower than yesterday, and May ribs 5c lower. A favorite remedy for many of the ills of this life is Simmon's Liver Regulator, the most popular medicine yet discovered. It is a searching cleanser, and by its action frees the system of all impurities, producing a sound, healthy liver. It is the standard household remedy for liver and stomach troubles. and has the unqualified endorsement of thousands of our best citizens through-

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Cotton Futures.

(Special to The Messenger.)

New York, March 2.-There was a sharp drop in prices on the cotton exchange today. Traders were again disappointed this morning by the Liverpool cables which reported a decline of 1-64d in that market and prices here were 7 points down at the opening. The market made a feeble effort to rally early in the day, but the bull enthusiasm has received a check in the last two days, and when large selling orders; fire in twelve months. Nothing was came in from Liverpool, which market saved except two feather beds. The furnished our chief support yesterday, a quick drop ensued. The execution of many stop orders accelerated the decline. May opened at 7.15, advanced to 7.17, declined to 7.10 and closed at 7.11 to 7.12, with the tone of the market steady. The southern markets remain firm at unchanged quotations. The liquidation here has been heavy and we do not expect this decline to prove either serious or lasting.

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Consul General Lee's Threat to Resign. Washington, March 1 .- The correspondence of the department of state with Consul General Lee at Havana in the case of Charles Scott, an American citi-zen, which was laid before the senate today, confirms the published story that General Lee threatened to resign unless the department supported his demand that Scott be released from solitary con-

finement. The correspondence is much like half of a conversation by telephone, as the telegrams sent to the department by General Lee only are transmitted, the department's end of the interchange being

February 9th, General Lee wired the state department: "Charles Scott, an American, arrested at Regla this morning. Charges not yet known." The next is dated February 20th and says Scott had been in jail in Havana without communication for 264 hours. The dispatch con-"Cannot stand another Rulz murder and have demanded his release. How many war vessels at Key West or within reach, and will they be ordered here at once if necessary to sustain de-

February 23-He again telegraphs Secre tary Olney, evidently replying to inquiries and in language that can scarcely be misunderstood: "Situation simple. Experience at Guanabacoa made it my duty to demand before too late that another American who had been 'incommunicado 264 hours be released from said incommunicado' and I did so in courteous terms. If you support it and Scott is so released, the trouble will terminate. If you do not, I must depart. All others arrested with Scott have been in communication, why should the only American in

the lot not be? He has been 'incommunicado' now 238 hours.' The correspondence closed with a telegram of the same date in which General Lee informed the state department that his demand had been complied with and that Scott had been released from 'incommunicado,' after fourteen days solitary confinement in a damp cell five feet by eleven, with water on the floor. "He was not allowed a chair, or anything to sleep on," and the telegram concludes: "And discharges of the body were removed only once in five days. Scott says is out \$200 --- At 2:30 o'clock this mornhe went always twelve hours without water, and once two days. Scott was charged with having Cuban postage stamps in his house. Was an employe of

an American gas company In regard to the arrest of F. J. Caseans, an American citizen, General Lee on February 17th, in a dispatch announcing his arrest, denounced it as a great outrage, and said there were similar cases at Sagua and elsewhere in the island. The department six days later ordered Lee to has been in business here for a number report upon the whole facts, and on February 24th, Lee replied that Caseanas insisted his treaty right should be respected. The prisoner had resided at Sagua since his registration there in 1871. The other dispatches show the number of his registrative entry, number of passport, etc., and concluded with a dispatch dated February 27th, leaving the matter undisposed of.

That Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood and relieves a vast amount of suffering is not a theory but a well

NORTH CAROLINA.

Marion Messenger: It may be stated positively that the Novelty Woodworking Company will locate in Marion. Winston Sentinel: We learn that the | jail. colored people of Winston have taken about \$14,000 stock in the cotton factory to be worked in Atlanta by col-

The Southern railway has bought 25,000 tons of heavy steel rails. This amount will lay 250 or 300 miles of track. Some of these rails will be laid between Atlanta and Charlotte. Louisburg Times: Jerry Neal, colored, who stole a bale of cotton from J.

ored operatives.

R. Jones' cotton gin last October, was arrested and brought here last week and tried before Justice O. L. Ellis. In default of bail he was sent to jail. Mt. Airy News: We do not under- for it, a sailor who is in jail and saw stand why it is that Surry county has her take it, informed the officers. She had over forty murders since the war and not one legal execution. Men do not fear the gallows in our county-it

cold hearted assassin. He knows he will escape the gallows and he is not mistaken. Salisbury World: Virgil Foard, the oldest living man in Rowan county was in town today. "Uncle Virgil," as he is familiarly known, was 101 years old last November and still retains possession of active mental faculties and his eyesight is good. He walked to past. When she was taken back to jail town this morning, a distance of six

miles, and back to his home this evening. Governor Russell has pardoned Geo. Dudley, who was sent to the peniten-Blow, colored, over a game of cards some years ago, says The Greenville Reflector. George ran away after committing the deed, was subsequently caught in Richmond and brought back here for trial, was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary. He server a few months over five years of the sen-

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of years practiced law here. He was solicitor of the inferior court for some time. He retired from practice several

Sanford Express: The indications are that there will be a large cotton crop planted in this section this spring. Several of the merchants of Sanford and Jonesboro have gone into the fertilizer business on a large scale.--Mr. Wm. Riddle, who lives near Poplar Springs church, four miles east of Sanford, had his dwelling and contents destroyed by fire last Friday. The fire first caught in a room where there had been no smoke house and contents were also destroyed.

Rocky Mount Argonaut: Rocky Mount's two new attorneys, Messrs. Lucian Bassett and J. M. Sherrod, have established themselves in offices .--Rev. Joe King, the "Adventist," has preached here several nights this week to good audiences, who seemed very much interested in his discourses .--On Sunday morning last the house on the Ivy place occupied by Mr. Stanley and owned by J. R. Sorsby, caught fire, and before the flames could be subdued was almost completely destroyed. Mr. Stanley's furniture was all saved. The house was insured for

Whiteville Christian Herald: The shingle factory of Captain V. V. Richardson is in full blast. It employs from fifty to sixty hands. -- W. G. Burk head, Esq., though still feeble, was out two days during court week. (We are sorry to learn of his serious indisposition.-Messenger.)-H. C. Moffitt, Esq., suffered much by a fall from a wagon, dislocating his collar bone, but it getting all right, we are glad to learn .- In the trial of James Haynes and Alex. Grist for the murder of John Lee, August 6, 1896, the verdict was, 'not guilty" as to Grist and "guilty" as to Haynes, who was sentenced to be hanged April 22nd. Defendant's counsel made a motion for a new trial, but the motion was overruled, and defendant appealed to the supreme court.

Monroe Enquirer: Thomas Richardson, the 19-year-old son of Mr. John Richardson, who lives near Mt. Moriah, Anson county, was killed by a falling tree last Thursday .- The bill to allow the citizens of Monroe to vote on a \$30,600 bond issue for the purpose of securing water works and electric lights for the town, has passed the house and will have easy sailing in the senate .- Mr. J. E. Nichols has one acre in strawberries on his farm a short distance west of town. The strawberry patch is on fresh land and sage and grass, during the past season, took rank growth and a few days ago Mr. Nichols sent a colored man out to his farm with instructions to clear off the sage and grass. The darkey cleared it off in short order, for he applied a match to the dead grass and in a few minutes that strawberry patch was as black as the negro's face. Mr. Nichols ing, February 26, 1897, Walter Lee Whitfield died at the home of his father, Captain J. W. Whitfield, Mr. Whitfield was born in Lumberton, N. C., March 20, 1856 and was therefore nearly 41 years old. He came to Monroe with his father December, 1874, and for nine years was assistant depot agent for the Seaboard Air Line, He of years and at the time of his death was a member of the firm of Whitfield & Walsh.

Money Concealed in Her Hair.

Beckie Claridy, a colored denizen of "Paddy Hollow," who was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Wm. Guion on Monday night on the charge of stealing \$6 from a sailor, was given a hearing before Justice John J. Fowler yesterday. He deemed the evidence sufficient to bind her over and required her to give a bond of \$100 for her appearance at the term of the criminal court which is to convene next Monday. She failed to give bond and was committed to

When the woman was arrested she denied that she had \$5. Upon being taken to jail to be kept over for the night, the officers searched her and found a pocketbook. It was laid on a desk while further search was being made and when the jailor and Officer Guion went to look into the pocketbook for the money they found that the woman had stolen her pocketbook from the desk. She concealed it about her person, but while inquiry was made then produced the pocketbook, but it contained no money. Every vestige of has no horror for the blood stained, her clothing was searched, but there was no trace of the \$5 bill. While the evidence was pretty strong against her, it was very important to find her in possession of the money, and the officers had begun to believe Beckie would again escape, as she has been sleek enough to do several times in the after the hearing yesterday, Deputy Sheriff Guion decided to make one more search. After almost despairing in the search, he finally found it twisttiary from Pitt county for killing Red ed into her hair. She had a \$5 bill, a quarter in silver and a South American bill in the wad.

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind., 'Sun," writes: "You have a valuble prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Sick Headache, and as a Winston Sentinel: Death has remov- general system tonic it has no equal." ed another one of Winston's well Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove known citizens in the person of Mr. B. Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could Y. Rayle, who passed away at 10:30 not eat nor digest food, had a backo'clock this morning at his home on ache which never left her and felt Fourth street. Consumption was the tired and weary, but six bottles of cause of his demise. Mr. Rayle was Elictric Bitters restored her health and born on July 15, 1835, and was there- renewed her strength. Prics 50 cents readily distinguished by the red Z on fore in his 62nd year. He was a gradu- and \$1.00. Get a Bottle at R. R. Bel-